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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINR, PDIP, EC (RAMIREZ LANDAZURI, OSWALDO)

SUBJECT: OSWALDO RAMIREZ TO BE ECUADOREAN CONSUL GENERAL IN
BARCELONA

1. IN CALL ON POLITICAL COUNSELOR JANUARY 22, RAMIREZ
INFORMED THAT HE HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TO BARCELONA AS ECUADOR'S
FIRST CONSUL GENERAL. HE PLANS DEPART QUITO JANUARY 29
AND AFTER SPENDING THREE OR FOUR DAYS IN FLORIDA WILL
CONTINUE ON TO SPAIN.

2. EMBASSY QUITO WISHES TO RECOMMEND RAMIREZ TO THE CONGEN
AS A PERSON WHO DURING HIS SERVICE IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY
HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY HELPFUL TO EMBASSY OFFICERS ON
DELICATE MATTERS RELATING TO ECUADOR'S CLAIMED 200-MILE
TERRITORIAL SEA AND LAW OF THE SEA MATTERS. HE HAS BEEN
DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORIAL SOVEREIGNTY IN
THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, AN OFFICE WHICH WAS RECENTLY ELEVATED
TO A DIRECTORATE GENERAL, THE EQUIVALENT OF A BUREAU IN
THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. HE IS A CHARMING AND ATTRACTIVE
MAN, MARRIED, THE FATHER OF FIVE CHILDREN AND IS CER-
TAIN TO HOLD POSITIONS OF GREATER RESPONSIBILITY IN
THE FUTURE. HE HAS SAID THAT WERE IT NOT FOR THE
SIZE OF HIS FAMILY AND CERTAIN HEALTH PROBLEMS OF HIS
WIFE HE WOULD HAVE PREFERRED A POST IN THE UNITED
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STATES.

3. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO REQUEST THE
CONGEN TO PROVIDE WHATEVER ASSISTANCE IT MAY CON-
VENIENTLY OFFER TO RAMIREZ, WHO WILL BE ESTABLISHING
HIS NEW POST. HE HAS BEEN A GOOD FRIEND OF THE
UNITED STATES IN ECUADOR. COMPLETE BIOGRAPHIC
INFORMATION FOLLOWS BY POUCH.
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